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1. The following are reported to be the details of an agreement reached during the last four days between Ezio Bartalini, secretary of the Rome Socialist Federation, and Edoardo Donofrio, secretary of the Rome Communist Federation.
 - a. All new applicants for membership in the Communist Party in Rome are to be transferred to the Socialist Party and the applicants will be given to understand that in so transferring they are serving a greater cause and making their individual political weight felt immediately.
 - b. All male married members of the Socialist Party in the Rome area will enroll their wives in the Socialist Party.
 - c. Socialists of the extreme left who differ little from the Communists in their views will not be accepted for membership in the Communist Party at the present time.
2. The above is designed to counteract the loss in Socialist Party membership and to give the impression that the party's following is increasing.
3. Bartalini is reported to have handed in his resignation as head of the Rome Socialist Federation in order to take more active part in the general affairs of the Party and is said to have met with Lelio Basso, the Party Secretary on 30 January to choose a successor. However, it is believed that Bartalini intends to continue to direct the Rome Federation from behind the scenes.
4. Socialist Party finances are in bad condition. Avanti is said to have a deficit of several millions. Peroni who backs the anti-clerical papers, Don Basilio and Il Pollo, is reported to have been asked by Nenni to take over the management of the Party's finances and to attempt the rehabilitation of Avanti.
5. Antonio Borgoni (Avanti pen name Z. Marcar) who up to the present has been considered one of Nenni's chief advisors now appears to have lost favor with Nenni who believes Borgoni has lost touch with the political situation.

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